(2) has the Government followed the same principle for the past three years; if not, why not?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar. — (1) Please see Article 201, *C. S. R.*

(2) Yes. The latter part of the question does not arise.

Extension of service to Mr. V. R. Venkiteswara Ayyar & promotion given to Mr. V. K. Achyuta Menon.

81. **Dr. A. G. Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) when was Mr. V. R. Venkiteswara Ayyar, Principal, Ernakulam College, due to retire;

(2) was any extension given to him; if so, for what period and for what reasons;

(3) in what grade (pay) were Messrs. V. R. Venkiteswara Ayyar and S. K. Subrahmanya Ayyar at that time;

(4) in what grade (pay) were also Messrs. V. K. Achyuta Menon and K. N. Pai at that time;

(5) when Mr. V. R. Venkiteswara Ayyar was given an extension was a new grade (Rs. 300—400) created; if so, why was that grade created;

(6) was Mr. V. K. Achyuta Menon promoted to that grade; if so, for what reasons;

(7) was Mr. V. K. Achyuta Menon given the maximum in the grade; was there any petition from him; if so, will the Government be pleased to place it on the table;

(8) when did Mr. V. R. Venkiteswara Ayyar retire;

(9) when was Mr. V K. Achyuta Menon promoted to Mr. Venkiteswara Ayyar's grade;

(10) was he allowed to draw the maximum pay in that grade from the date of promotion; if so, why;

(11) was there any petition from him; if so, will the Government be pleased to place it on the table?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—(1) 18—9—1100.

(2) Yes, for one year in the public interests.

(3) Both in S1 grade on Rs. 400—500.

(4) S2 grade on Rs. 250—300.

(5) Yes; but the occasion for creating the post was the re-organisation of the College establishment when its standard was raised to the First Grade. Of the two posts on Rs. 300-400 thus created one was made outside the College for the benefit of officers who had lost their chances of promotion by the drafting of new men to the College.

(6) Yes, he being the senior officer on Rs. 250—300.

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(7) Yes; no useful purpose will be served by placing the petition on the table.

(8) 18—9—1101.

(9) 18—9—1101.

(10) Yes; in recognition of his long and faithful service and in view of his approaching retirement.

(11) Yes; vide answer to part (7).

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Sub-division (7). The answer is 'Mr. V. K. Achyuta Menon was given the maximum in this grade.' Naturally when an application for extension is applied it goes through the Director. Did the Director make any endorsement on the application recommending the maximum pay to the applicant ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—The answer is given already. The answer is 'no useful purpose will be served by placing the petition on the table.'

Dr. A. G. Menon.—My supplementary question is, "Did the application go through the Director."

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Yes.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Did the Director put in any remark on the petition ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—That information cannot be made available by the Government.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Is it confidential ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—It is.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Two posts were created on Rs. 300 to 400 and Mr. Achyuta Menon was promoted to that grade on the maximum to one of them. To whom was the other post given ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—The other post was given to Mr. Gopala Ayyar, the new Professor of Zoology.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—He left the service and who gets the place ? Was Mr Gopala Ayyar given Rs. 400?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Mr. Gopala Ayyar got Rs. 400.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Was Mr. Achyuta Menon allowed to draw Rs. 400?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—He was allowed to draw Rs. 400.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—But that post was Rs. 300 to 400.

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Rs. 300 to 400 is the grade and Mr. Achyuta Menon was allowed to draw the maximum.

Extension of service to Mr. Matthai, Director of Public Instruction.

82. **Dr. A. G. Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state,—

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